

Docket No.: ECV-5630

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In Re Application of: Crystal M. Cunanan, et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1645  
Application No.: 10/004,624 ) Examiner: Unknown  
Filed: November 01, 2001 )  
For: Methods for Preparation of Bioprosthetic Tissue )  
And Implantable Devices Comprising Such )  
Bioprosthetic Tissue )

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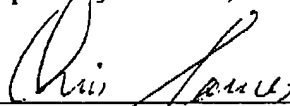
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Dated: Feb. 15, 2002

Respectfully submitted,

  
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An application number and filing date have been accorded to this application. The item(s) indicated below, however, are missing. Applicant is given **TWO MONTHS** from the date of this Notice within which to file all required items and pay any fees required below to avoid abandonment. Extensions of time may be obtained by filing a petition accompanied by the extension fee under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a).

- The oath or declaration is missing.  
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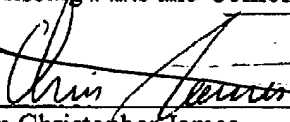
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